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SUBJECT: IEA R&D SUBGROUP MEETING OF NOV 4, 1975

1. SUBGROUP MET PARIS, NOVEMBER 4 UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP SCHMIDT-KUESTER (FRG). AFTER APPROVAL SUMMARY RECORD SEVENTH MEETING AND ORAL PROGRESS REPORT BY SECRETARIAT ON WORKING PARTY ACTIVITIES, SUBGROUP TOOK UP PREPARATION FOR NOVEMBER 20-21 GOVERNING BOARD (GB) MEETING ON R&D.

2. BASIS FOR DISCUSSION WAS IEA/SLT(75)95 (1ST REVISION) DATED 28 OCTOBER 1975 "PREPARATION FOR THE NOVEMBER 1975 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON ENERGY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT." THIS DOCUMENT WHEN REVISED TO INCORPORATE CHANGES AGREED TO AT MEETING WILL FORM REPORT OF SUBGROUP TO THE G.B. AND CONTAIN SUBSTANCE OF AGENDA FOR G.B. MEETING. THE FOLLOWING ARE MORE IMPORTANT CHANGES AGREED TO:

A. INTRODUCTION

- REMOVAL OF 1976 TARGET DATE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF OVERALL IEA R&D STRATEGY AND WORDING INDICATING THAT R&D ANALYSIS AND ASSESSMENT EFFORT (PROPOSED BY U.S.) WILL CONTRIBUTE TO DEVELOPMENT OF ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF AGENCY'S LONG-TERM PROGRAM.

B. SECTION I (CURRENT PROGRAM OF COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES)  
AS A RESULT OF JAPAN'S WISHES EMPHASIZE COOPERATIVE NATIONAL ACTIVITIES RATHER THAN JOINTLY FUNDED PROJECTS, THE OBJECTIVE OF EXPANDED SOLAR PROGRAM WAS DESCRIBED AS INCLUDING COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS AS WELL AS JOINT PROJECTS.

C. SECTION II (ENERGY SYSTEM ANALYSIS APPLICATIONS FOR R&D STRATEGY PLANNING)  
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GOAL OF ANALYTICAL WORK IDENTIFIED MORE SPECIFICALLY AS DEFINITION OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY OPTIONS INCLUDING ANALYSIS OF COST AND ESTIMATED FUTURE IMPACT ON ENERGY PRODUCTION.

-- SPECIFIC IDENTIFICATION OF BROOKHAVEN (U.S.) AND JULICH (FRG) AS HOST CENTERS FOR GROUPS OF INTERNATIONAL

EXPERTS TO CARRY OUT ANALYTICAL/ASSESSMENT STUDY. IN RESPONSE TO SERIES OF QUESTIONS FROM JAPANESE, U.S. AND GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES EXPLAINED THAT MEMBER NATIONS WOULD BE EXPECTED TO PAY COSTS OF EXPERTS DETAILED TO JULICH OR BROOKHAVEN, AND THAT MEMBER NATIONS WOULD NOMINATE OWN CANDIDATES FOR SUCH DETAILS.

D. SECTION III (NEW PROPOSALS FOR COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES)

- DESCRIPTION OF GEOTHERMAL EXPANDED TO INCLUDE NON-ELECTRICAL USES AND DRY HOT ROCK SOURCES.

- "REMOTE POWER SYSTEMS" MODIFIED TO EMPHASIZE SOLAR POWER SYSTEMS.

E.(ANNEXES TO SUBGROUP REPORT TO GOVERNING BOARD)

- AT THE SUGGESTION OF THE IRISH DELEGATE EXAMPLES OF TECHNOLOGIES OF POSSIBLE INTEREST TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WERE REMOVED FROM U.S. PAPER DESCRIBING POSSIBILITIES FOR SUCH COOPERATION.

NOTE: THE U.S. LATER WITHDREW THIS PAPER UNTIL THE GOVERNING BOARD HAD COMPLETED ITS ON-GOING REVIEW OF ENTIRE ISSUE OF SUCH COOPERATION.

- U.S. AND GERMANY TO PROVIDE REVISED PAPERS ON COLLABORATION IN FIELDS OF GEOTHERMAL ENERGY AND SMALL SOLAR ELECTRIC POWER PLANTS.

3- U.S. INITIATIVE ON PROPOSED CENTRAL R&D FUND STRONGLY ATTACKED BY CHAIRMAN, UK, FRG, IRELAND, AND JAPANESE

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REPRESENTATIVES WITH LATTER CALLING CONCEPT "UNACCEPTABLE TO JAPAN.; BASIS FOR REJECTION DESIRE TO KEEP PARTICIPATION AND ASSOCIATED SUPPORT ACTIVITIES ENTIRELY ON VOLUNTARY, A LA CARTE BASIS (JAPAN) AND CONCERN THAT EXISTENCE OF CENTRAL FUND WOULD SERIOUSLY ERODE FUNDING FRO? NORMAL BUDGETARY PROCESS (UK, FRG). TURKISH DELEGATE SAID HE LIKED IDEA. SCHMIDT-KUESTER STATED FUND WOULD "DECREASE IMAGE AND ABILITY OF AGENCY TO LAUNCH R&D PROGRAMS."

4. U.S. DELEGATE EXPRESSED CONCERN REGARDING LEVEL OF PLANNED REPRESENTATION AT NOV 20-21 G.B. R&D MEETING. STRESSED IMPORTANCE GIVEN TO MEETING BY U.S. AS EVIDENCED BY SEAMANS PARTICIPATION.

5. INFORMAL LATE AFTERNOON MEETING OF U.S., UK, FRG REPRESENTATIVES INCLUDING SCHMIDT-KUESTER WITH KELLEY AND BOXER OF SECRETARIAT DISCUSSED SPECIFICS OF AGENDA FOR G.B. R&D MEETING WHICH WILL INCLUDE FORMAL SIGNING OF COAL R&D IMPLEMENTING AGREEMENTS EARLY EVENING, NOVEMBER 20. ALSO REVIEWED NEED TO EXPAND R&D SECRETARIAT IN RESPONSE TO RAPID GROWTH IEA R&D ACTIVITY. SECRETARIAT CHARGED WITH TASK OF REDRAFTING G.B. R&D DECISION PAPERS AND R&D CHAPTER OF LONG-TERM PROGRAM TO CONFORM WITH LATEST VERSION SUBGROUP REPORT TO G.B. DRAFT DECISION ON ESTABLISHMENT OF R&D COMMITTEE (INSTEAD OF SUBGROUP) REPORTING TO G.B. ALSO REVIEWED.

6. DATE AND AGENDA NEXT MEETING R&D SUBGROUP TO BE DECIDED AT G.B. R&D MEETING. KISSINGER

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